

## TO SELL OR REPAIR

## STREET CAR COMPANY MAKE A PROPOSITION.

Owners of the Line Meet With the Committee on Streets and Franchises in Executive Session in the Metropolitan Hotel on Monday Night—They Wanted to Sell the Railway to the City But There is no Law Allowing It—Question Will be Settled at the Council Meeting Next Monday Night.

On Monday night during the rain storm there was an executive session held in the apartments of Messrs. Bachelder, Abbott, Currier and Kersney in the Metropolitan hotel and the committee on streets and franchises, composed of Messrs. J. F. Reese, chairman; J. M. Allen and Geo. L. Young, Mayor Ross and City Attorney Adams were also in attendance.

The object of the meeting was to come to an agreement between the street car company and the city. It is said on the very best of authority that the railway people wanted to sell their property to the city. The statute does not make any provision for city ownership of street railways, although the last legislature passed a law allowing cities of the first class to purchase water works and gas or electric light plants for their own use.

The fact that there is no law allowing the city to purchase the railway stopped the city from entering into such a bargain. When this was made known to the railway officials they made the following proposition: If the city would remit the \$12,000 pavement tax which the company owes the city on back taxes they would repair the road by putting in new rails, new cars and giving the present road a general renovation.

It is alleged that the company make the claim that they can abandon all their lines outside of the paving district and still hold their franchise. This is disputed by the members of the council and other citizens who are thought to be conversant with the facts in the case.

The present owners obtained control of the road in 1893. Ever since they have owned the property they have paid with promptness the assessment for the paving between the tracks. The \$12,000 and interest which they desire to have cancelled was owed by the old company on the paving assessment. The present company got control through sheriff sale and have ever since operated the line. The committee, of course, have no jurisdiction or authority to enter into any contract with the company, but their sanction is necessary before the matter will come before the council. The council will meet next Monday night, when the questions which are now being discussed in executive session by the committee will be brought before the council for final settlement. Another meeting was to have been held last night, but what took place or where it was held could not be learned.

## DOCTOR MORRISON RETURNS

He Tells of the Results While He Was in the East.

President Morrison of Fairmount college returned Monday from an extended business journey in the east. When seen yesterday he was asked how long he had visited. Dr. Morrison said: "I have spent eight months in New England, New York City and New York State in seeking money and books for Fairmount college. I naturally have met many men of all occupations and of every station, and had a great deal of talk about business."

"Doctor, what seems to be the impression in the east regarding the business outlook?"

"On the whole most men are hopeful of a speedy revival of prosperity, not coming by leaps, but gradually, and coming to stay. They point to many indications of the presence already of such revival as largely increased employment of skilled labor in manufactures, increased railway receipts, new railway extensions and extensive repairs of old lines and large orders for railway and structural iron. The great increase in building in New York and other large cities, improved tone in stock and money, demand for railway and other stocks for investment, and the like. New York business men generally say all we want now is to have congress speedily agree on a tariff and adjourn. Then we will do business and prosperity will come."

"What success did you meet with on your trip to the east?"

"My success in my errand to the east, if measured by the amount of cash actually received, would not seem very great. But in money-getting for a college as well as in husbandry, there must be plowing—sowing before reaping. Fairmount college is a new name in the east, almost wholly unknown to the public or to the young men and individuals, eight months ago. The young men of the college have now received all through the east a wide advertisement of the very best kind. Another canvass next fall will find many men and women informed respecting Fairmount already personally interested and ready to help. Fairmount has a constituency of friends in New York and New England. It is to be remembered also, that the past eight months have been more barren in contributions to all ordinary forms of benevolence than has been known before for twenty years."

"All missionary boards are heavily in debt, and in consequence are cutting down expenses and curtailing the dimensions of their work. Treasurers of these boards commonly say that March, 1897, was the 'driest' March they ever knew. The Education society, which fosters Fairmount college, has suffered with all the rest, and hence is behind in its promised payments to the colleges under its care. In time all its promises will be fulfilled. To these financial difficulties in the way of securing large returns from our canvass is to be added the ill-favor into which western states, especially Kansas, have fallen because of

pecuniary reverses by eastern men in the states, and because of unfavorable legislation and court decisions. If any good citizens of Wichita think this ill-repute of our state a trifling obstacle to success in securing help for a Kansas institution, let him try the work himself in New York, or Hartford, or Worcester, or Nashville."

"Do you think the eastern animosity will be held against Kansas for some years?"

"No; all these obstacles are lessening and will soon disappear. Business is reviving. Kansas is rapidly paying her debts and eastern capital is again flowing into her territory. The state is likely to produce enormous harvests this year, the handling of which by railroads and eastern factors will add greatly to the revenues of every important financial center in the east; and out lately all the friends of the state are again because they will see that their country is watered by our country. Then prejudice soon dies away, and much of our late ill-favor in the east was prejudice. Many men and women, who, at first introduction, would hardly treat with courtesy the representative of Wichita, came at length to say: 'You have a good cause, and we will help you by and by.'"

"What were the results of your trip?"

"My efforts have secured a considerable sum of money in the face of all the difficulties mentioned—more, probably, than any other college represented on the Education society's field, however far short of my hopes when I went east."

"Do you expect to return and push the work which you have already started?"

"I expect to return next fall, and am confident of large success in getting money, the result of the 'plowing and sowing' of this trip."

## ARRESTED FOR STEALING

Beautiful Kansas City Girl Arrested Yesterday for Stealing a Ring.

The handsomest young woman ever behind the bars in the city prison was last night. It was beauty in distress and from the chief down to the turnkey each felt sorry for her. Miss Johnson of Kansas City came to the city on last Friday and visited with some estimable people residing on West street. She was arrested yesterday by Messrs. Woods and Sutton, charged with having stolen a diamond ring from a Miss Hill in Kansas City. Word was received from the chief of police of Kansas City last night saying that an officer would arrive this morning and he would take Miss Johnson to Kansas City.

The story that Miss Johnson tells is that she and Miss Hill were both taken with the charms of a Kansas City young gentleman. He at first seemed to favor Miss Hill and he gave her a diamond ring, which did not cost over \$25. Miss Hill and the gentleman in question had a lovers' quarrel and he got the ring back and gave it to Miss Johnson. When she left Kansas City to come here to visit she brought the ring with her. Miss Hill became jealous and had her arrested. This is her story.

Miss Hill told the officers in Kansas City that they roomed together in a fashionable boarding house in Kansas City, and that one day when she went to wash her hands she took the ring off of her finger and placed it in a receptacle on the table. Miss Hill says that Miss Johnson stole it from her and soon left for Wichita.

Miss Johnson is a young lady with a beautiful face and a Venus-like figure, and is of intellectual appearance. She was closely dressed and has all the indications of a lady of refinement. She does not appear to be over 20 years of age. If she turns out to be guilty it would seem that laws sometimes go by contraries. She says she is innocent and will accompany the officer to Kansas City without having to get out requisition papers. She will go east this morning.

## SHE VIOLATED THE MOSAIC LAW

Pearl Sanford Casts a Few Chunks of Profanity at Lettie Campbell.

Pearl Sanford and Lettie Campbell are two young ladies (?) who reside on South Fourth avenue, and their complexion is fast black. These two young ladies do not seem to be as good as they ought to be. They have been carrying on a conversation for the past two weeks which is expressly prohibited in the old Mosaic law, the third which was inscribed on the tablet of stone. The state of Kansas plagiarized from Moses in 1861 and went him one better by substituting "profanity" in their statute, and somewhere among the statutes of the city of Wichita thought it was a good thing, and the city fathers enacted it into an ordinance.

Now, on Tuesday, June 8, in the year of our Lord 1897, one Lettie and one Pearl violated this law, which has been handed down to our fathers from the beginning.

Pearl first discussed and then cussed, and it made Lettie gnash her teeth and wait. Lettie is not a Biblical student, so not knowing the Good Book she called on Officer Fox to take Pearl in charge for disturbing the peace. Mr. Fox took Pearl to police headquarters. Both of them know the police, the result which is usually to follow when they come in contact with them. Pearl, in default of any portion of the golden calf, was compelled to go below stairs, where she awaits with longing the result of the trial which will be called at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Pearl has a brother who is fond of Lettie and Lettie, not to be outdone, is sweet on Pearl's brother. Quarrelling over Pearl's brother is what started the fracas. There will be large chunks of conversation come up in today's trial which will not be printed.

Later in the evening Pearl obtained sufficient of the filthy lucre to bail herself out of the city dungeon.

## BROTHER OF GEN. CUSTER

Locked up for Drunkenness Claims Near Relationship With the General.

John Custer was brought into police headquarters last evening in a state of laudible intoxication by Officer Gamble. Mr. Custer is a stone mason by trade and claims to be a brother of the illustrious Gen. Custer who met his death in the Black Hills at the hands of Sitting Bull. John Custer had a hard fight yesterday afternoon. He fought for upwards of four hours, when John Barclay landed the knock-out blow. John—both Johns in fact—were locked up in the city jail where tomorrow one of the Johns will be tried for drunkenness. John Custer had \$124 on his person when brought into quarters. He was in a very good state of feeling and did not seem to mind his detention in the least.

What Dr. Gussanau Says.

The collection of music gathered together in 'Sweet Sacred Songs' is excellent and inspiring, and will make many a home a place of melody and joy. F. W. Gussanau, A. M. D. D., Pastor of Plymouth Congregational Church, Chicago.

## "AULD LANG SYNE"

## THIRD ANNUAL REUNION OF CHAUTAUQU GRADUATES.

Chautauqua Alumni Banquet Association Gives Its Third Annual Banquet in Sedgwick Music Hall—One Hundred and Fifty Persons Participate—Excellent Program of Musical and Literary Numbers—Hall Very Beautifully Decorated and Long Rows of Tables Loaded With Substantials for the "Inner Man."

In Sedgwick Music hall last night the Wichita Chautauqua Alumni association held its third annual banquet. Alumni and guests numbered about one hundred and fifteen persons, who enjoyed the "inner man" substantials of the long pretty tables and "filled the air with music to spare and complimentary jokes."

The hall and banquet tables were nicely set out with flowers and every arrangement seemed successfully planned to promote the pleasure of the company.

After the refreshments an interesting program of toasts and music lasted till nearly half past eleven. Mrs. Roland P. Murdock, presiding, introduced the speakers.

Rev. Dr. Fleming spoke instructively of the religious influence of Chautauqua motives.

"Alter Ego" by Miss Nina Caldwell was in the form of a story and left the conviction that Pope satirized correctly when he said: "The proper study of mankind is man."

Mrs. J. M. Knapp showed a very pleasant appreciation in talking of "Our Guests," in response to which Mr. J. A. Allison gave an encouraging explanation of the high regard outsiders had for the great Chautauqua work.

Mr. Charles H. Brooks suggested that Mr. Allison's response was all and more than he himself would attempt in the braided recency of his bicycle experience. "I have just bought a new wheel," he said, "and made my first attempt at riding this afternoon. I performed from Second street to the court house, and it seemed that there must have been 500 people watching me. It was the most enthusiastic audience I ever performed before. I have noticed that one of our city papers said the other day that the capital on North Main was too soft for this climate. I want to enter right here a wounded and solemn denial of that statement. It is the hardest substance known to man, there isn't a single soft spot in North Main from Second street to the jail, for I tried every one of them."

Mrs. Charles G. Cohn's interpretation of the "Marble Dream" was unusually interesting.

Mrs. H. Imboden, Mrs. C. H. Brooks, Mrs. L. G. Whitner and Miss Caldwell sang Dr. Wilkinson's poem to the Chautauqua class of '97.

The Evolution of Tom by Miss Anna Mulvey was a humorous discussion of the small boy with some local turns on the grown up boys of Wichita. If it had had no other merit Mrs. R. M. Platt's address, "The Chautauqua Assembly" would have been enjoyable for the duration.

Mrs. W. J. Babo was absent. "I am glad I am a Roman" said Miss Minnie Stuckey in discussing the accomplishments of the higher Chautauqua work.

Mrs. Imboden closed the entertainment by singing in a simple and pretty way "Auld Lang Syne" in the chorus of which the whole company sang heartily. Mrs. Whitner was elected president and Mrs. Powell, secretary for the coming year. Mrs. Platt was elected delegate to the National Chautauqua assembly.

## ALUMNI.

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